GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2087
ANSWERED ON:03.12.2001
UTILIZATION OF FUNDS IN AFFECTED FOREST DIVISIONS
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government ask the concerned departments to deposit certain estimated amount to grow trees in lieu of permission granted to them for utilization of forest land or for executing any other development activities under Forest(Conservation) Act, 1980;

(b) if so, the details of such amount deposited with the Government during each of the last three years, State-wise;

(c) Whether the respective State forest department have utilized such amount for growing of trees in the affected forest divisions in compliance with the spirit of the Act;

(d) If so, the details thereof; and

(e) If not, the reasons therefore alongwith the steps taken by the government to ensure full utilization of such amount?

Answer

MINISTER OF EVNIORNEMNT AND FORESTS (SHRI T.R.BAALU)

(a), Yes, Sir.

(b),(c),(d) & (e) As per the Rules and Guidelines made under Forest (Conservation) Act 1980 compensatory afforestation is to be raised in the affected district. However, when the land for compensatory afforestation is not available in the affected district afforestation can be done in other district also. State-wise details of amount realised from user agencies and the amount spent by the State Governments for compensatory afforestation are given in the annexure. The State Governments have been requested to utilize the unspent amount expeditiously

ANNEXURE

Annexure referred to in the reply to part (b),(c),(d) & (e) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2087 for 3-12-2001

Amount Rs in Lakh

States/Uts	Fund received from the user agency during 1998-99 to 2000-2001	Funds utilized for compensatory afforestation during the period
Andhra Pradesh	1845	3773
Arunchal Pradesh	1238	184
Assam	177	103
Bihar	0	0
Goa	260	218
Gujarat	4054	3383
Haryana	278	98
Himachal Pradesh	260	274
Jammu & Kashmir	0	0
Karnataka	2386	1745
Kerala	4469	3847
Madhya Pradesh	0	0
Maharashtra	1203	5292
Manipur	0.05	-
Meghalaya	1	-
Mizoram	422	178
Orissa	1502	448
Punjab	1312	842

Rajasthan	1207	588
Sikkim	363	310
Tamil Nadu	110	69
Tripura	22	10
Uttar Pradesh	550	57
West Bengal	177	227
A&N Island	59	52
D&N Haveli	102	0
Total	21997	21598